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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The amendment filed on 01/21/2009 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is nonresponsive (MPEP § 821.03). Newly submitted claims 52-71 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: claims (1-51) were drawn to a means for exchanging generic information and how that information was inputted in the system i.e. reciting componets such as means for enabling suppliers, consumers, prosumers, potential suppliers, potential consumers, and potential prosumers to access said open community model via open platform data encoding standards and a continually evolving world model; means for enabling said suppliers, said potential suppliers, said prosumers, and said potential prosumers to supply timely information about themselves, about said dynamic environment, or a combination thereof to said world model. While the currently claimed invention (52-71) appears to be directed toward a system for monitoring and estimating various types of traffic flow i.e. reciting components such as an application for maintaining a land-based transportation model having a plurality of transportation routes and a plurality of parameters related to traffic flow in said transportation routes and a plurality of prosumers capable of exchanging information with said application.

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2. If the originally presented claims (1-51) and the newly added claims (52-71) had been presented together a subcombinations usable together type restriction requirement would have been made, since claims (1-51) could have a separate utility of enabling suppliers, consumers, prosumers, potential supplier, potential prosumers to access to an open community model via an open platform data encoding standards. Further claims (52-71) could have had a separate utility of for example maintaining a land-based transportation model having a plurality of transportation routes and a plurality of parameters related to traffic flow.

Conclusion

- 3. Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.
- 4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to FOLASHADE ANDERSON whose telephone number is (571)270-3331. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST.

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5. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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